

A regular meeting of the Redmond City Council was called to order by Mayor Rosemarie Ives at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Councilmembers present were: Cole, Marchione, McCormick, Paine, Resha, Robinson, and Vache.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Mayor Ives announced that Item C.5, a Resolution appointing Representative and Alternate Representative to the Cascade Water Alliance Board of Directors, and Item VI.1., an Ordinance adopting Interim Control Regulations Regarding Commercial Signs in the Public Rights-of-Way, will be rescheduled.

ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There was no one in the audience that wished to address the Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Resha, second by Ms. McCormick, to approve the following items of the Consent Agenda:

- (1) approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 17, 2004
- (2) approve the following payroll/direct deposit and claims checks:

PAYROLL/DIRECT DEPOSIT CHECKS:

#157731 through 157873; and
#120307 through 120881 \$1,107,022.53

CLAIMS CHECKS:

#213583 through 213928 \$3,736,664.75

- (3) authorize the Mayor to sign a consultant agreement with Sanborn Mapping to provide Updated Regional Orthophotography and Aerial Mapping Services for the production of orthophotos and updated two-foot contours at a total cost of \$68,749
- (4) approve the Supplemental Agreement No. 1 with Hewitt Architects, Inc. for design services for the Redmond Municipal Campus Central Park Master Plan, Project No. 95-CI-77, in an amount not to exceed \$54,974

including contingencies, and
authorize the Mayor to sign the
agreement, and

- (6) authorize the Capital Investment Program (CIP) allocation of \$75,000 for the construction of the Idylwood Beach Park Playground.

Motion carried unanimously (7 - 0).

RESOLUTION - CHANGES TO THE REDMOND PARKS AND RECREATION PARK
USER FEE SCHEDULE

The Mayor, in a memorandum to the Council dated March 2, 2004, recommended adoption of the revised fee schedule, consistent with the unanimous recommendation of the Redmond Park Board.

Councilmember Paine stated he was concerned about the size of the fee increase. He acknowledged that the fee was based upon the market, but he hoped that the fees took into consideration making the facilities as affordable as possible. Councilmember Marchione stated that he shared similar concerns about the percentage of the increase and had discussed the matter with staff.

Councilmember Robinson asked what revenue targets did the proposed fees try to achieve? Tom Trueblood, Recreation Division Manager, responded that staff did not approach the fee revisions in that manner. The recommended fees are designed to keep pace with the direct costs of providing the facilities, such as lighting, scheduling and staffing sites, not the indirect costs, he explained. The fees, he continued, are adjusted every two years and the average increases have been between five and six percent per year.

Councilmember Robinson noted that the fee for renting the gymnasium at the Old Redmond Schoolhouse Community Center had increased significantly and asked how would small groups afford the cost? Mr. Trueblood replied that the gymnasium is rented approximately two times per month, so the fee change would not impact a high number of users. He added that the proposed rental fee is in line with rents for the Senior Center and Auditorium.

Councilmember Vache was concerned about maintaining adequate reserves for the replacement of the premium turf fields. Mr. Trueblood replied that the recommended fees are intended to pass on some of the costs to the users, but not out price the fields. At the end of 2004, after a year of experience with these fields, staff plans to identify an amount needed for replacement costs over a ten-year period, he concluded.

Motion by Mr. Cole, second by Ms. McCormick, to adopt Resolution No. 1181.

Resolution No. 1181, amending the Parks and Recreation Department user fee schedule adopted by Resolution No. 1072 and previously amended by Resolution No. 1140, was presented and read.

Upon a poll of the Council, Cole, Marchione, McCormick, Paine, Resha, Robinson, and Vache voted aye. Motion unanimously carried (7 - 0).

RESOLUTION - PAY AND BENEFITS DURING LEAVES RESULTING FROM INVOLUNTARY MILITARY SERVICE

The Mayor, in a memorandum to the Council dated March 2, 2004, recommended adoption of the resolution regarding the compensation differential and benefits provided to employees on leave due to involuntary military service.

Councilmember Paine stated that over a year ago the Council responded to the immediacy of the moment and adopted this policy. He said that he felt then and now that the resolution's provisions are in excess of state law and could be considered a gift of public funds. Therefore, he could not support the extension of this policy, he concluded.

Motion by Mr. Cole, second by Mr. Resha, to adopt Resolution No. 1182.

Resolution No. 1182, re-enacting the Military Leave Benefits Program established by Resolution No. 1143 and previously re-enacted by Resolution No. 1167; and adding a new Section 8.30 to the City of Redmond Personnel Manual in order to provide for the payment of certain compensation and benefits to city employees who are involuntarily called to military service for a period of up to one year, was presented and read.

Upon a poll of the Council, Cole, Marchione, McCormick, Resha, Robinson, and Vache voted aye. Motion carried (6 - 1), with Paine voting nay.

REPORTS

Staff Report - City Hall Project Update

Mike Paul, Project Manager, provided a verbal update noting that the leases have been approved and signed. He stated that the current schedule includes the bond sale in early April 2004, with construction beginning in late August/early September 2004.

Councilmember Cole suggested that a couple of Councilmembers be appointed to work with staff on the design of the new Council Chambers. Councilmember Marchione stated that the oversight of the new City Hall Project would be part of the Council's Planning and Public Works Committee's work program and the Committee members could provide that oversight.

OMBUDSMAN REPORT

Councilmember McCormick stated that she met with the woman who sent the email regarding the NE 116 Street project and developments in that corridor. She said that woman's concerns centered around the street profile, safety of pedestrians walking to Rockwell Elementary School from the north side of the street and trails.

Councilmember McCormick also noted that the Council had received an email regarding the lack of a bicycle lane on West Lake Sammamish Parkway in the vicinity of the current construction project. She added that she had forwarded a copy of the City Engineer's response to the resident and the resident requested that the city, in future construction projects, not eliminate bicycle lanes.

Councilmember Resha stated that a southeast Redmond resident contacted him regarding excessive dust on Union Hill Road. He added that he spoke with the City Engineer and learned that Cadman sweeps the roadway three to four times per day and would sweep the center portion as well.

Mayor Ives stated that a student from Redmond High School contacted her about Initiative 864; he would like for the Council to take a position on the initiative before it is placed on the ballot.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning and Public Works Committee

Councilmember Marchione announced that the Planning and Public Works Committee would meet on Wednesday, March 10, 2004, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Conference Room. The

agenda items include the Committee's work program and setting a regular Committee meeting date and time.

Council Retreat

Councilmember McCormick announced that the Council retreat would be held at the Channel Lodge in La Conner on March 19 and 20, 2004. The facilitator, Jim Reid, will be contacting each Councilmember and the Mayor regarding their expectations, she added.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Mayor thanked the Public Works and Police Departments for getting people together two weeks ago to celebrate the lives of Russ Howard and Lt. John Miner. She also extended the city's appreciation to the faith community, citizens, and members of the nine police departments who made it possible for Redmond Police staff to attend the memorials.

PUBLIC HEARING - SAFECO DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT
RESOLUTION - SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE SAFECO DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT
ORDINANCE - AGREEMENT FOR DONATION OF LEARY WAY PROPERTY
(Quasi-judicial)

The Mayor, in a memorandum to the Council dated March 2, 2004, recommended adoption of the resolution and ordinance pertaining to the second amendment to the Safeco Redmond Campus Phase III Development Agreement.

The Mayor opened the public hearing at 8:12 p.m.

Councilmember Resha disclosed that three years ago he was an employee and involved in setting the original trip cap.

Lynda Aparicio, Senior Planner, highlighted areas of the agreement where changes are proposed:

- The term of the agreement would be extended for ten years, until 2015
- Safeco would be allowed an additional 88,600 square feet in Phase III
- Safeco would pay impact fees on the additional 88,600 square feet
- Safeco would have increased flexibility in building design
- Minor tree preservation requirements would be allowed, and
- The traffic signal at 150 Avenue NE and NE 51 Street required for concurrency would be eliminated in lieu of a donation of the heron property near Leary Way to the city.

Ms. Aparicio distributed revised language for Subsection 4(e), Development and Transportation Impact Fees, on page four of Exhibit A to the proposed resolution.

Marsha Martin, Foster Pepper & Shefelman, 1111 Third Avenue, Seattle 98101, representing Safeco, introduced Safeco representatives who were in the audience. She stated that Safeco concurs with the facts presented by Ms. Aparicio and was available to answer any questions.

Hearing no further testimony, the Mayor closed the public hearing at 8:18 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Cole, second by Mr. Paine, to adopt Resolution No. 1183 and Ordinance No. 2199.

Resolution No. 1183 approving a second amendment to a Development Agreement for Phase III of the Safeco Redmond Campus at the southwest corner of 156TH Avenue NE and NE 51ST Street, was presented and read.

Ordinance No. 2199, accepting the donation of certain real property located along Leary Way by General America Corporation and Winmar Company, Inc. and authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with General America Corporation and Winmar Company, Inc. regarding such donation, was presented and read.

Upon a poll of the Council, Cole, Marchione, McCormick, Paine, Resha, Robinson, and Vache voted aye. Motion unanimously carried (7 - 0).

AVON VILLA ANNEXATION, NOTICE OF INTENT

The Mayor, in a memorandum to the Council dated March 2, 2004, recommended that the Council accept the Notice of Intent and authorize the circulation of Direct Petition.

Motion by Ms. McCormick, second by Mr. Cole, that the annexation proposed by the "Notice of Intent to Petition for Annexation, Avon Villa Annexation, filed with the city on February 2, 2004 or some smaller portion thereof, be accepted and the Direct Petition be authorized for circulation. The Direct Petition must indicate that territory within the annexation contemplated shall be subject to the following conditions:

1. All property within the proposed annexation area shall be assessed and taxed at the same rate and on the same basis as the property of the City of Redmond is assessed and taxed to pay for the portion of any then outstanding indebtedness of the City of Redmond, which indebtedness has been approved by the voters, contracted for, or incurred prior to, or existing at, the date of annexation.
2. All property within the proposed annexation area shall be subject to the Redmond Community Development Guide and the subsequent proceeding pursuant thereto.
3. Zoning for the proposed annexation area shall be Neighborhood Commercial and R-18 residential as indicated respectively by the city zoning map under NCP and R-18p (pre-annexation zoning) boundaries.
4. The applicant agrees to a recordation of a protection easement for protection of Bear Creek either prior to or within a reasonable period subsequent to the annexation.

Upon a poll of the Council, Cole, Marchione, McCormick, Paine, Resha, Robinson, and Vache voted aye. Motion carried unanimously (7 - 0).

ORDINANCE - INTERIM CONTROL REGULATIONS REGARDING COMMERCIAL SIGNS IN PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY

This item has been postponed to a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK